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Date: September 28, 2006

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The undersigned would like to point out that the claims may be allowable for reasons other than those set forth in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Moreover, while the combinations of elements recited in the allowed claims are patentable the undersigned would like to point out that some or all of these individual elements may be broadened such that the resulting combination is still patentable. Applicants may elect to pursue such claims, or to pursue claims directed to other aspects of the present invention, such as the non-elected claims that were cancelled in the present application, through a continuation application, another reissue application, or through a reexamination proceeding as appropriate.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the above statements he is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's attorney, Paul F. Rusyn, at (425) 455-5575.

Respectfully submitted,

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